

Via Electronic Filing

June 30, 2015

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capitol 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re:

In the Matter of the Request of Farmers Mutual Telephone Company for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed by e-filing please find the Request for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support by Farmers Mutual Telephone Company (the "Company").

The Company requests confidential treatment of Exhibits A, B and Attachment 1, which are submitted as a separate Confidential document pursuant to the requirements of ARSD § 20:10:01:41. These Exhibits contain financial information with independent economic value which is not generally known to, and not readily ascertainable to, competitors of the Company which could obtain economic value from disclosure. The Company maintains the information as secret. The Company requests that such information be maintained as confidential by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in perpetuity.

Also enclosed is the Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up Advertising/Outreach Annual Report for 2015.

Very truly yours,

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